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MUTANT PROTEASES**

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the Official Action mailed September 4, 1996 be extended for one (1) month to and including January 4, 1997. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$110.00 for the required fee (*see* Transmittal).

Respectfully submitted,

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